Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Colonel James F. Preston's dedication to service has made him a valuable asset to this state and country; and,

Whereas, We have very few occasions to recognize these patriotic individuals for their service to this state and country; and,

Whereas, Colonel Preston has devoted over 30 years of his life to the service of this country and state; and,

Whereas, His loyalty and leadership have made him a cornerstone in the armed forces of this country; and,

Whereas, Colonel Preston continues to give of himself; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Colonel James F. Preston for over 30 years of dedicated and outstanding service to this country and state:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim May 17, 2003, as

COLONEL JAMES F. PRESTON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in wishing him well in his retirement and thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and the United States.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

M. Michael Rounds

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State